

AT THE STATE CAPITAL.

**THE GOVERNOR SURPRISES THE SENATH
WITH A NOMINATION.**

James Shanahan Named for Superintendent of Public Works—The Senate will inquire into the Conduct of Asylums and Prisons.
ALBANY, JAN. 12.—Gov. Cleveland's message

nominating James Shanahan for Superintendent of Public Works. The nomination was made on the 10th day of the 32d tariff for the Friday session, and these had not counted on any action by the Governor for several days. Mr. Shanahan was superintendent of the eastern division of the canals under Benjamin S. W. Clark, and was continued in office a year under Mr. Dutcher's administration. Mr. Shanahan expresses a high opinion of him. Mr. Shanahan has been a successful contractor, and has owned extensive stone quarries. He comes of a family of canal contractors, and has thorough knowledge of the canal system. Mr. Cleveland appears to have discovered Mr. Shanahan, and has been endeavoring to get Mr. Shanahan to visit him in Buffalo, and was favorably impressed with him. Mr. Cleveland's senatorial colleague, Kernan, recommended Mr. Shanahan's appointment. The friends of State Commissioner John O'Brien, and the friends of Mr. O'Brien and his men. The Anti-Monopolists urged the appointment of Henry L. Fisher, of Rochester, and the friends of Mr. Fisher urged the appointment of Mr. Fisher. One of them said to-night that Mr. Shanahan had large contracts with the New York and Erie Railroad, and that the nomination was a railroad man. The nomination was referred to the Canal Committee.

The Assembly has a bill to prevent the sale of toy pistols and cartridges to children; Mr. Boyd a bill to prevent baby farming. He explained that his bill was based on the Massachusetts law, which had been found to work well, and that it was intended to prevent children under 14 working in factories.

In the Assembly, Mr. Keyes called up his bill for the relief of the insane, and the law of the Committee on State Charitable Societies of the State asylums for the insane and the law of the State for the relief of the insane. Mr. Keyes spoke of the Silkman and other cases that have excited popular indignation, and dealing with such cases. The resolution was adopted with an amendment by Mr. Benedict. The investigation to be completed in sixty days.

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Townsend Cox, William Fullerton, William Lawson, T. Meyer, Michael Jacobs, and David McAdam of New Zealand.

York, Simeon Cameron of Pennsylvania, John C. Brown of Tennessee, William Mahone, William F. Cameron, and A. W. Jones of Virginia, Benjamin F. Butler of Massachusetts, and W. H. Mauney of Ohio. A powerful syndicate of transmitters of the measure are here in

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city. No lives were lost. It is believed that the vessel and cargo, valued at \$100,000, will prove a total loss.

The Signal Office Prediction.
Warmer, fair weather, followed by increasing cloudiness with local rains or snow, winds shifting

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Amateur.—Address II W. Garrett, Albany, N. Y.
St. John's Guild asks for gifts of money and clothing for the poor. The office is at 81 university place.
Theater.—The Metropolitan Opera company will perform at the Germania Assembly Rooms, 204 Bowery, Sunday evening.
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Mine. Atlanta arrived by the Pioneer Express in evening. He was accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Pringle, accompanied her. Mine. Atlanta will probably visit the city for a few days.
The Eighteenth Assembly District Republican Association will hold a meeting at the city hall on Sunday, June 10, at 12 o'clock. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the results of the recent nominations. Bernard Berg presided.
Copies of a petition for the repeal of the revised Code of Criminal Procedure, which was introduced in the house yesterday, and passengers were invited to sign it. The petition is now in the hands of the committee on criminal law and procedure, and will be presented at their next meeting.
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Judge Barrett and yesterday that Della Springer

must produce a new surety for costs in her suit against J. Parker Gray, or that the complaint must be dismissed.

The ladies of the Robert Emmet Branch of the Twentieth Century Branch took a group photograph in front of the building at 27 West Fortyeth street. There is no street number.

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